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Announcement of marriages and deaths free—tributes of respect and obituaries half price.

## LOUISVILLE AND NASHVILLE AND GREAT SOUTHERN RAILROAD.

GOING NORTH.  
Train No. 2 arrives and leaves at 10:25 P. M.  
Train No. 4 arrives and leaves at 2:10 P. M.

GOING SOUTH.  
Train No. 1 arrives and leaves at 5:55 P. M.  
Train No. 3 arrives and leaves at 10:30 A. M.  
See Nos. 1 and 2 for mail trains.

See bankrupt notice published by H. C. Merritt, assignee of W. C. Smith.

J. J. Rawley has been appointed by the Circuit Court to settle up the railroad taxes for the years 1870-1.

The entire attendance at the Cincinnati Exposition, this year, was 508,000.

The Southwestern Kentucky Medical Association meets in Paducah on the 15th inst.

S. D. Power, Esq., of Ashland City, is circulating among his friends in this city last Wednesday.

NEWBERRY, South Carolina, boasts of a boy who is twenty years of age six inches high, and weighs thirty-three pounds.

GRAND LODGE GOOD TEMPLARS. This body will meet in Nashville on the 21st inst. A reduction of fare has been secured over all the railroads.

The post-office at Sailors Rest has been discontinued. We suppose mail matter intended for this point will be put off at Cumberland City.

WORK on the sewer to convey the water from Madison Street, is going on under the superintendence of Capt. Carkuff.

The ferry at Trices' Landing has been suspended for the present, but will resume operation as soon as a steam ferry boat can be built.

REV. F. G. BRODIE, of the Louisville Conference, will preach in the Methodist church to-morrow (Sunday) morning and night, at the usual hours.

The Stewart County Fair will commence next Tuesday.

The Robertson County Fair, at Springfield, will commence on the 15th.

The Masonic fraternity, Odd Fellows and citizens generally, have contributed liberally, this week, towards relieving the sorely afflicted people of Memphis.

MUCH of our local matters is crowded out this week by the report of N. L. Whitfield, County Superintendent of public schools.

The span of the Tennessee river bridge, which was damaged by the storm on Sunday night has been repaired, and trains were expected to cross yesterday.

OFF FOR CONFERENCE.—Rev. J. B. West, Rev. J. Reynolds, Dr. Usery, John M. Smith, Esq., R. H. Pickering and lady, and others, left for conference last Wednesday morning.

AMONG other important questions to be considered by the M. E. Conference, now in session at Franklin, Tenn., will be the re-districting of the Conference.

ELDER S. P. SYRATOR has been conducting a meeting, this week, in the Christian Church, to the edification and satisfaction of his hearers. We presume the services will be continued.

MR. B. WISDOM, so well and favorably known in this city and surrounding country, was in the city last Wednesday. Paducah life must agree with him, as he was looking better than he has for several years.

The storm, last Sunday night, carried away the draw span of the Louisville and Memphis railroad over the Tennessee river. Up to this writing, Wednesday, passengers had to be transferred at this point.

SERVICES at the Baptist Church have been held throughout the week, by Dr. Helm, of Louisville, and will probably be continued longer. If continued, an announcement from the pulpit to-morrow will make the fact known.

MR. JOHN CROSS has opened a house on Franklin Street, next to Hodgson's marble yard, where he will keep fresh meats, at all times, together with family groceries. Mr. Bob. Davis will attend to the wants of customers in polite and accommodating style.

MR. T. H. HYMAN, the auctioneer, was called to Louisville last week, on urgent business, and requests us to state that he will be at home soon, ready to attend to any sales or other business placed in his hands.

By reference to their card, which appears in our columns to-day, it will be seen that John F. House and H. C. Merritt, have associated themselves together in the practice of law. These gentlemen stand at the head of their profession, and are too well known to require any commendation from us.

JACKSON BROS. opened their stand for the sale of fresh meats last Tuesday morning, at the confection store of Settle & Son. The public will be furnished the best market affords at all times. If you want something nice, call upon these accommodating clever gentlemen and be served.

# THE SPECTROSCOPE.

Marvelous Discoveries.

Perhaps, there are some of our readers who would like to know something about this wonderful instrument. Philosophers have been led by it into new fields of discovery, where science and the genius of man have heretofore failed to reach, and brought light from the darkness which surrounded them. The doubts and uncertainties entertained in regard to the causes of some of the most interesting phenomena of nature, have disappeared through its revelations, and the investigations have demonstrated the beauty and harmony which characterize all the laws of nature operating within the range and powers of the instrument.

A few years ago Prof. Bunsen, a distinguished European Chemist, was making some experiments in his laboratory with a prism of glass, the light from a gas-burner, a small platinum wire, and various chemical substances; with a view of discovering some new method of chemical analysis. The result of these investigations was a success, unparalleled in the annals of analytical science, and it is believed that we have only seen the dawning light of the wonders, which will, sooner or later, be revealed through this instrument, as investigators penetrate deeper into the arena, and traverse wider the vast domain of universal nature.

The Spectroscope is composed of three parts: the lens, the slit and the telescope. The slit is a narrow opening in the end of the instrument, when light passes through it, it falls upon the lens in parallel lines, and from thence to a prism of flint glass, and is refracted to the eye of the observer at a telescope, or upon a screen, where the view of the spectrum produced is to be seen—the rays being dispersed, and resolved into their constituent parts.

A spectrum is simply a band of light obtained wherever light from any source passes through a prism. It is either continuous or interrupted. What is known in our Natural Philosophy as the *prismatic spectrum*, is continuous, because all the primitive colors, and their various shades are distinctly defined; the red being first, because least refracted or bent from a straight line; and the violet being last, because its refrangibility is greater than either the orange, the yellow, the green or the blue. In the interrupted or discontinuous spectrum; a part of the colors are only given; resulting from the condition or character of the substance which is the source of the light. We can determine with mathematical certainty, by examining the spectrum of any luminous object, whether it is solid or liquid, or whether it is gaseous. If its light is thrown into the Spectroscope and it gives a continuous spectrum; we know that it is either solid or liquid; but, if it gives an interrupted spectrum—if any of the colors are wanting; we know that the body from which the light is reflected is gaseous.

It is also known, that no two solids or liquids, or no two gases have similar spectra. The patient and laborious researches of the chemists have, thus far, revealed sixty-three simple substances on the surface of the earth; out of which all compound substances are composed. Each one of these has its own particular spectrum, which can be detected in whatever it may be combined. All that is necessary to effect this, is to convert it into incandescent vapor; which may be done by means of the powerful heat, of what is known as the electric arc; which will convert all of them into vapor, and hence their spectra can be obtained and their presence determined.

The solar spectrum is one that is regarded with peculiar interest. The nature of the intense light radiated from the luminous coats, for centuries anterior to the discovery of the Spectroscope, the subject of many learned discussions, based upon theory and the wildest speculations. But when the light was applied to the little instrument, its constituent elements were at once revealed—made apparent by the most incontestable evidence. The spectra of eighteen different elements were defined—iron, titanium, sulphur, calcium, cobalt and manganese predominated in the spectrum. In the utilization of any metal, a certain number of lines appear in its spectrum by which it is known. By comparing them, the spectra of the sun's elements, with those that are known on the earth's surface; their correspondence establishes the fact of their presence in it.

The distance of the sun does not circumscribe the powers of this wonderful instrument; for the light of many of the fixed stars has been analyzed; also, of comets, the planets, the dim light of far distant clusters, and the faintest nebulae.

In the great nebula of Orion, there is a cluster of six stars in its centre; they are distinct in the cloud-like luminosity which surrounds them. The spectra of these stars is like that of the sun, but the nebula gives lines that are beautiful in their radiance, and indicating that it is glowing gas, greatly attenuated and intensely heated.

If the powers of the instrument stopped with such revelations as these, we would still regard it with wonder and amazement; but they do not end here; for even the motions of the stars are determined by it, as well as their velocity in the depths and immensity of illimitable space.

By observations on Sirius it is shown, that it has a motion equal to about forty miles per second, and is moving from our system; also, Rigel, Castor, Procyon, Capella, Aldebaran and many others—Whereas, Arcturus, Vega, Pollux, Alpha Andromadae and others are approaching the sun with velocities varying from twelve to sixty miles per second. The spectra of all these stars indicate, with a few exceptions, the light of flaming hydrogen.

But, let us turn from these investigations of the constitution of the sun and the stars, and see of what benefit this little instrument is in a more practical concern of science! It is known that in the Bessemer process of making wrought iron, if all but one per cent. or less of the carbon is burnt out, you obtain steel. The great difficulty in this ingenious process, was to determine when enough carbon was burnt out. The iron is melted in what is called a converter, and a flame issues from the mouth of it. The light of this flame is analyzed, and when the spectrum indicates that

all of the carbon is consumed, the blow is shut off, and the known quantity of carbon in a certain weight of iron is introduced into the converter, and the desired result is attained.

There are many other practical uses to which this little instrument is now daily applied! We might refer to them, but the length of this article admonishes us that we have already gone beyond a reasonable limit; and that we may weary our readers by giving any further illustrations of its marvelous powers. It is considered the greatest analyzer known to science—nothing appears to be beyond the reach of its searching gaze, either in the heavens above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. It has created a new era in scientific investigations; and the impulse given to scientific men to learn more of the laws which control the operations of nature; is greater than the world has ever known before.

What it may yet accomplish, no one can tell. The way is wide, and open through it, to all searchers after truth into God's eternal laws; and progression in it—spurred on by a glorious ambition; will doubtless, lead to discoveries more interesting and important than was ever before dreamed in the philosophy of man.

Most of our readers have seen accounts of calico balls, so common after the war, but none of them, we fear, have ever seen or heard of a calico Church congregation. If the varieties of fashion could only realize how many worthy people are kept from attendance at Church, because they can not keep pace with the prevailing modes, they would be tempted to the conclusion that cleanliness and simplicity are more nearly akin to Godliness, than are the idle and extravagant displays which make each poor look like a depository of millinery wares. Finery is not so much out of place on gala days—festive gatherings, where custom has made display a feature of the occasion, but in Church, rigid simplicity and neatness best become the congregation. In an economical point of view, we believe that churches could be kept in repair and Pastors better paid by appropriating for those objects a portion only, of the money paid for superfluous frills, furbelows, laces and flounces—and we were about to say bustles, but they are a cheap deformity, costing not much more in money, than the camel pays for a similar ornament. It is time the ladies of the South, were resisting the extravagant demands of fashion—not so much on account of the money, which only changes hands and swells the volume of trade—but because tasteful simplicity is so much more to be admired than frivolous superfluity.

On account of sickness, we were prevented from attending the entertainments given by the Hook and Ladder Boys last Thursday and Friday nights. We are informed that the plays were rendered in a creditable manner, and deserved a much larger audience than they had, on their last appearance, at least for a long time. The last entertainments only netted them about \$50. The young men have kept up these concerts at intervals, since August, 1872, and have endeavored to give satisfaction to our citizens, and we think they have been very successful in that respect. And whilst furnishing these entertainments for the amusement of our people, they have realized nearly sufficient funds to erect a neatly constructed and well arranged building for their trucks, and now being fully equipped, they stand ready, as they have ever done, to defend the property of all when the fire fiend shall call them to action. We are proud of them—and hope, at no distant day, they may repeat their efforts to amuse, and be fully recompensed for it.

The Synod of Nashville, recently in session, at Chattanooga, resolved to found a Presbyterian University for the South-west, with a capital of \$500,000. Stewart College was tendered to the Synod as the nucleus of the enterprise. The earnest commendations bestowed upon the College and the acknowledged healthfulness of Clarksville indicate a feeling favorable to the establishment of a University at this place. It will not be a strictly theological institution, as it proposes to offer the largest facilities for thorough culture and a high standard of graduation, and to organize on the plan of separate, and co-ordinate schools and elective courses. The Synod appointed Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., and Elder D. N. Kennedy Directors for this Synod. This movement is worthy of the best efforts of our people, and needs no argument to commend it to general favor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CELEBRATION.—There will be a Sunday School Celebration and Barbecue at Ebenezer, on the South-side of Cumberland river, to-day. There will be addresses delivered, interesting exercises by the pupils of the school, plenty to eat, and a joyous day generally. The citizens of that neighborhood will do all in their power to render all happy who may attend. We thank the managers for an invitation, and will endeavor to attend.

The Clarksville Chronicle. A couple of weeks ago the postmaster at Clarksville, Tennessee, notified us that the copy of the Athens Post addressed to the Chronicle was not taken from that office. As the Chronicle continues to reach us regularly we suppose this is another case of mistaken identity. There is an Athens Post down in Louisiana county, Alabama, but it is not our Athens Post—not by a distance.

Our postmaster is slightly mistaken about our not taking the Athens (Tenn.) Post from the office. It is one of our favorite exchanges.

APPOINTMENT OF THE SCHOOL FUNDS.—Under this head, the Nashville Banner, of the 7th inst., says:

The State Superintendent had expected to submit a report to the Commission yesterday, in order that the October appropriation of the interest in the school fund might be made up to a late hour but he had not received the reports from the superintendents of Cumberland, Dyer and Shelby counties. Should these reports not be forthcoming this morning, the State Superintendent will proceed to estimate the amount of the interest in the school fund, according to the ratio of the school population to the general population, as a comparison in other like counties. Superintendents generally, have been tardy in their reports, and prompt in sending them down to the report from the first to arrive—that from Perry the last, so far.

The report of the State Superintendent will be submitted to-day, in any event.

If you know or hear of any one who wishes to buy a good farm, well improved, tell him to call at the CHRONICLE office and hear the particulars in reference to an advertised to-day, under head of "valuable farm for sale."

DEDICATION OF BAPTIST CHURCH. A very large and attentive congregation attended the dedication of the Baptist church, in this city, last Sunday. The sermon, by Dr. Helm, of Louisville, was an able discourse, delivered in a plain, unostentatious style, and gave universal satisfaction to his appreciative audience. We noticed, with much satisfaction, that although the audience was larger than usual, people proved to Dr. Helm that their worship was as profound for divine worship as well as for those who conduct it. We are proud to state that the eminent divine received marked attention throughout the extended exercises.

At the conclusion of Dr. Helm's sermon he proceeded to take up a collection, the result proving that he was as good at collecting as he was at preaching. For in a short time \$200.20 was raised, which we are gratified to state will relieve the church of debt—the elegant pews and cushions being, as we are informed, all that the indefatigable workers owed for at that date.

We are truly glad that our Baptist friends have now completed and paid for their beautiful church edifice, for they have labored long and zealously in this good work, and have at length secured a house for worship that is an ornament and honor to them and our city.

L. FROELICH has a large advertisement in the CHRONICLE this week, and has also a very large stock of goods in his store-room on Franklin, at Valliant's old stand. He says he bought the present stock at panic prices, when the wholesale dealers were so badly scared that they were extremely anxious to close out—and, doubtless, most of them have suspended since then for selling to him so cheap.

Major Balthrop and Mr. Burgie will take pleasure in showing these goods, in their well known courteous style.

THE numerous friends of Mr. Gabe Williams are informed that in the future he may be found in the popular dry goods establishment of Harrison, Massie & Co. If being a good salesman, always at his post in business hours, combined with integrity in dealing, will avail, then Mr. Williams will certainly receive a fair proportion of patronage. Call and see him at his new quarters.

CLARKSVILLE TOBACCO.—Mr. Wm. Rogers, of this county, had a sample of his new crop of tobacco to show this week, which he brought up to town. It was the largest, finest specimen of what is called Clarksville Tobacco we have seen for a long time, measuring about three feet in length, of a beautiful brown color. He is one of the best tobacco raisers, always getting the very best prices.

INCENDIARISM.—Some wretch made a bold attempt at arson, on the night of the 6th inst., at the house occupied by Jordan Barksdale, on the corner of Strawberry and First streets. The incendiary poured coal oil on the weather-board and then set fire to it. Fortunately it was discovered before the fire made any progress and was extinguished. Had it not been discovered as soon as it was, the result would probably have been an extensive conflagration.

As far as our observations go, the Radical press is most conspicuous in making light of the financial panic. This is to shield the administration from the effects of its conspicuous—if not criminal—agency in bringing it about. The panic may be over, but it will be many a long day, we fear, before the same can be said of its effects.

THE Cincinnati Enquirer says: "this is a good time to wipe out the National Banks." It is a mighty good time too, to wipe out the Radical administration, if the people have sense enough to see their opportunity and honesty to improve it.

Municipal Election. Quite a large vote was polled last Saturday for Mayor and Aldermen, and good order preserved. Mr. G. A. Ligon was elected over Mr. G. R. Harris, the present incumbent, and will take possession of his office on the 1st of February next.

Following is the official vote of the city, showing the election of Mayor and Aldermen, also the School Tax, which was carried by a handsome majority.

FOR MAYOR.  
1st Ward—Ligon 31, Harris 32.  
2nd Ward—Ligon 90, Harris 27.  
3rd Ward—Ligon 46, Harris 59.  
4th Ward—Ligon 44, Harris 25.  
5th Ward—Ligon 48, Harris 22.  
6th Ward—Ligon 59, Harris 40.  
7th Ward—Ligon 33, Harris 25.  
8th Ward—Ligon 41, Harris 25.

Total for Ligon 362  
Total for Harris 259

Ligon's Majority 103

FOR ALDERMAN.  
1st Ward—Wm. Kerr 42, C. M. Barker 15.  
2nd Ward—T. H. Hyman 57, G. C. Rich 20, John Manning 10.  
3rd Ward—Wm. Ferrill 61, James Shy 31, W. P. Lindley 9, Jno. H. Shrodt 4.  
4th Ward—Sam Ramey 31, L. Bloch 27.  
5th Ward—R. D. McCauley 41, J. J. Rawley 27.  
6th Ward—W. S. McReynolds 59, T. Willis 37.  
7th Ward—T. H. Jackson 28, Jno. F. Shelton 13, S. Sullivan 16.  
8th Ward—Sam Johnson 35, O. Wenzler 27.

For School Tax 286  
Against School Tax 13

Majority for School Tax 273

PITMAN & LEWIS have a large and superior stock of fashionable Clothing and Furnishing Goods for Men, Youths and Boys. Their clothing improves the looks of a man very much.

MEMPHIS, Oct. 8.—There was another heavy frost this morning, and prospect of a slight one in the morning. To-day the instruments were in the 30s from yellow fever and 10 from other causes. Dominick Sister Mary Joseph, former Superior of St. Agnes Academy, died to-day. Rev. Father O'Brien, of St. Peter's church, is very low with fever.

The Only Remedy. Those who suffer from foul breath are open to the charge of carelessness. It is an offense that can be speedily abated, as a single bottle of the fragrant Somersby will unambiguously show the weak. No toilet table should be without it, it will preserve and keep the teeth white and the breath pure and sweet.

Spaulding's Glue, used for the sticking point.

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